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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT : Categories of KEDLOCK Clearance

Per your request, the following definition of KEDLOCK categories is provided:

Category 1 - An individual cleared at this level is told that he is supporting a USAF program for which a contract exists, as opposed to an in-house effort. Many of the people in this category will be administrative or consultant types. All those working with hardware which will not compromise the existence of a vehicle will fall in this level. Attached is a copy of Security Agreement to be signed by a K-1.

Category 2 - A person approved for this level is allowed to read and sign the detailed briefing statement attached. The program is updated to include the general reconnaissance concept. The basic difference between a phase 1 and 2 is that the latter knows of the existence of the vehicle and its expected capabilities. However, flight test is never admitted to a level two. Instead, he is told that the first one comes off the line this summer.

Category 3 - A 3 level clearance includes all of the 2 level information plus the identification of the contractual and Security arrangements. This admission is the only difference between a 2 and 3 category. Normally, the only people at a 3 level will be those allied with the contracting and Security fields.

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